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Re: Application of: Michael KOCHMAN, et al.

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For: **MASSAGE DEVICE PROVIDING RADIANT  
HEAT AND MECHANICAL MANIPULATION**

Examiner: Victor K. Hwang

Group Art Unit: 3764

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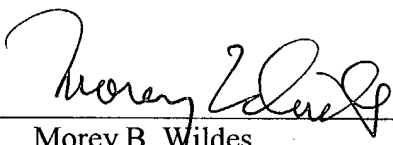
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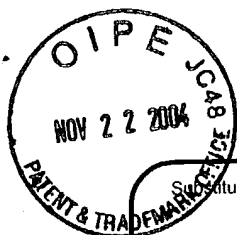
It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all the references made of record at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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